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FANWOOD

With all of the Fanwood family now doing their Christmas shopping, thoughts are definitely straying toward the holiday season and the Yuletide recess.

Complete plans have been made for the annual Christmas convocation for next Thursday. It promises to be the usual gala affair, featuring a Santa Claus, several band selections newly arranged by Captain Edwards and an extensive program. A feature of this program will be selections by a men's choir, which has been practicing faithfully for several weeks.

The program will start at nine in the morning of the 23d with carols in the rotunda, after which the rest will take place in the chapel. Invitations have been mailed to all the pupils parents and others connected or interested in the school.

Fanwood's basketball team has dropped a pair of early encounters by tough luck, losing to the Catholic Champions of Brooklyn, St. John's Prep, and to the Westchester County Champs, A. B. Davis High of Mount Vernon.

The Davis game was a thriller, with Fanwood picking up 12 points in the final period, while holding the Vernoners to four and drawing to 30 to 33 before the timekeeper put an end to the struggle. Davis took an early 10 to 4 lead, stretched it to 19 to 10 at the half, and were apparently safe with a 29 to 18 advantage at the three quarters.

Greenstone and Argule, starting forwards, were the scoring leaders with nine points, three goals being bagged by Greenstone in that final drive. Hoskings came through with four buckets. Luchuck and Captain Forman each caged two points. For the second game of the season, team play was unusually smooth, especially considering that Lubchuck and Argule never played interschool ball before this year. LaMonica, Gaden and Marinaro also saw action.

St. John's Prep handed Fanwood a 32 to 23 defeat in the opening game last week. Argule's seven points, Forman's six, and Greenstone's four paced the Golden Tornados. Three more games remain before the holidays.

Coach Tainsly played for the Savage School alumni against his old Alma Mater last week, as his team dropped a one-point decision. Tainsly alleges that pressure was brought to bear by the Savage coach on the Alumni coach to keep him out of the game so much that his scoring eye was not properly warmed up, thereby giving Savage the chance to win the game.

Maintaining his record of good looking as well as good playing teams, Mr. Tainsly shows some new jerseys now being sported by the basketball warriors. The jerseys are white wool with golden letters spelling "New York" on the front and golden numerals on the back. Worn with the purple satin trunks, the effect is very neat indeed. The three-year-old trunks and sweat uniforms have been carefully kept and are in good condition for this year. Cadet-Manager Walter Gaska is given some credit in arranging that.

Superintendent Skyberg is a very busy man these days, being constantly called to the architect's office or the Greenburgh location in regard to the new school buildings, which are rapidly taking shape. Concrete is being poured this week for the ground floor of the vocational building.

Gallaudet's 150th Anniversary Observed

By Charles Joselow

The Metropolitan Civic Association of the Deaf fittingly observed the 150th birthday anniversary of Dr. Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, the greatest benefactor of the deaf, with a banquet at Cafe Loyale, on Fifth Avenue, corner 43d Street, on Saturday evening, December the eleventh.

After all became materially contented with delicious plates, there promptly followed a series of speeches on the spirit of this benefactor. The speakers' program, in the hands of the Rev. Mr. Braddock as toastmaster, commenced with Miss Elizabeth Gallaudet, one of the honored guests. In her jocund way of speaking, she commented on the three Gallaudets, Dr. Thomas H. Gallaudet and his two sons, the Rev. Thomas Gallaudet and Dr. Edward Miner Gallaudet. Mr. Joselow read the letter sent by President Fives of the Association, who was unavoidably absent. In part, it read as follows:

"Gallaudet's life was one of service to the deaf. And the results of this service rendered are best evidenced by the numerous schools for the deaf established since his first one in Hartford. His great sincerity of purpose and love for his work is obvious in the fact that his two sons took up and continued his work after his death. We who are deaf owe a great debt to the Rev. Mr. Gallaudet, can show the world that his efforts have not been in vain by doing in our own way what he did—that of giving service to the deaf, our very own fellowmen. That is why we have the Metropolitan Civic Association of the Deaf; to give and be of service to the deaf. Therefore, let us make of our Association a great monument of service to the deaf, and in this way we shall have a great living monument to the memory of the Rev. Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet."

Next, Dr. T. F. Fox, in remarking that Gallaudet was really a many-sided man, stressed that he not only served the deaf, but also devoted his last years to the insane; and in short, the keynote of his speech was that Gallaudet aimed to improve the generality of mankind. Mr. Skyberg, superintendent of the New York School for the Deaf, explained how, during his visit to the International Congress of the Deaf in Paris last summer, he thought of this pioneer Gallaudet, who first learned the methods of teaching the deaf there and brought them to America. He expressed pride in sharing this continued work with the deaf. Mr. O'Connor, head of the Lexington School, mentioned Gallaudet as the pioneer in the program of educating the deaf in America, and beseeched all to perpetuate the spirit of this benefactor in example and precept. Last on the program, Mr. Kenner, president of the National Association of the Deaf, alluded to his legacy in the form of broadening the minds of the deaf, and further said that this gift should be supplemented with our interest in protecting our economic life.

The atmosphere of the room was just right in every way for this occasion, and the arrangements neatly done redounded to the credit of Mr. Frankenheim and his aides, the Rev. Mr. Braddock, Mrs. Kent and Mr. Charles Wiemuth. In short, everybody went home in a cheerful spirit.

It's a baby girl at the Harry Grossingers (Freda Goldwasser). The blessed event occurred on Friday, the tenth of December. The baby has been named Mary Ann. This makes a second addition to the Grossinger homestead in Ferndale, N. J., they having a boy besides.

NEW YORK CITY

ST. ANN'S CHURCH

After elaborate preparations on the part of the Board of Managers of St. Ann's Church, the annual Church Bazaar took place on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, December 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. From two o'clock Thursday afternoon until late Saturday evening the deaf of the city and surrounding territory wended their way to St. Ann's and returned home to tell the tale of the large auditorium of the Guild House transformed into a miniature World's Fair. The set-up was varied somewhat from the usual plan: one side of the long room was partitioned off for dining tables, and the selling-booths were ranged on the other side and on the stage at the far end.

The most popularly patronized booth was the W. P. A. S. booth, carrying needlework and articles of wearing apparel. In this corner were always to be seen ladies trying on aprons or pricing pot-holders. Next to it was the Brooklyn Guild booth, which displayed candies, jams and jellies, and a few other grocery items. Many a sweet tooth found satisfaction here.

The Mens Club Booth was loaded with a surprising variety of objects, including stationery, pictures, score pads, ash trays, cigarette boxes, lamps, tobacco and fancy book-covers. There was also a counter dispensing Hires root beer and a Gift Chute, which improved on the usual "grab-bag" idea by having the ten-cent surprise packages pulled by strings down a toboggan into the expectant hands of the purchaser. The V. B. G. A. booth, which took possession of the stage was plentifully supplied with toys in all sizes and prices, and was haunted by children of all ages up to fifty. Trade was pretty good Thursday afternoon and evening at all the booths; was slack on Friday; and reached its peak Saturday evening, when whatever had not been purchased already was auctioned off for what it would fetch. A profit has been assured for the necessary expenses of St. Ann's Church, but to what extent is unknown at this early date as the official report has not come in.

A general spirit of cooperation was discernible on the part of the committee. Many donations were received of money or articles to be sold. Miss Elizabeth Gallaudet and Mrs. Elise Gallaudet came and brought some friends, also the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Judge, and the Rev. Mr. Burgess of the Church of St. Matthew and St. Timothy. Mr. Frederick Meeder, vestryman, was unable to come, but sent a generous donation. A number of hearing friends of the church were seen.

The W. P. A. S. booth was tended by Miss Eleanor Sherman, Mrs. Gertrude Kent, Mrs. John N. Funk, Mrs. Charles B. Terry, and Mrs. Herbert H. Diekmann most of the time, but they received much assistance from voluntary substitutes. The Men's Club booth was kept by Mr. James Fitzgerald, assisted by Mr. William Wren. Miss Elizabeth Anderson and Mrs. Decell were responsible for the Brooklyn Guild booth, assisted by Mrs. Spencer G. Hoag, Miss Brannfuhr, Mrs. Liebsohn, and others. Mr. Charles Terry manipulated the Gift Chute, and Messrs. Wren, Jackson and Ricks alternated at the root beer table. Miss Armstrong, Mrs. Funk and Mrs. Diekmann guided the destinies of the V. B. G. A. booth. Mr.

Emerson Romero lent his services as auctioneer, and lent much gayety besides. Some tables of bridge and "500" were set up on Saturday evening, in a tournament presided over by Mrs. Kent.

Mrs. Walter Weisenstein shouldered the tremendous responsibility of producing a fish supper on Friday evening and a lamb dinner on Saturday evening. The tables were filled on each occasion, and many compliments were paid to the cooking. The price for each meal was only fifty cents, and apparently a profit was made, in view of the fact that most of the eatables were donated. Mrs. Weisenstein was assisted by Messrs. Charles Olsen and Harry Jackson, Mrs. Richard Thompson, Mrs. Margaret Fitzgerald, and Mrs. McCullough.

There was also Afternoon Tea as a feature of this bazaar, served by Mrs. Guilbert C. Braddock, from 4 to 5 o'clock each afternoon. Intended simply as entertainment for the hearing visitors, this feature turned in a small profit.

The next big event at St. Ann's Guild House will be Ernest Marshall's repeat performance of the "Three-in-One Social" which made a hit last month. There will be a full program of movies, card games, and dancing for the one admission price of thirty-five cents. It will take place on Saturday evening, December 18th, at 8 o'clock. It will be worth seeing.

Brooklyn Division had their second bingo and card party of the season last Saturday evening at their favorite rendezvous—Livingston Hall. A fair-sized attendance turned out, and perhaps had a better time than if the crowd was larger, as there was more chance for them to win one of the glittering array of bingo prizes. Cash prizes were given to the "500" players and were won by M. Gross, Mrs. Krieger and Miss Sacks of Section B; and Miss Kluin, R. Lieber and Agnes Costello of Section A. Aaron Fogel drew a long puff of satisfaction from his 10-cent cigar, when his number won the door prize. Meanwhile the bingo enthusiasts were having a great time winning or nearly winning the array of prizes displayed on a table—one lucky girl carried off four that evening and will probably not have to do any Christmas shopping now. The affair was engineered by Big Ed. Sherwood, his assistants being the coming ball committee. Now that the coast is clear, the Division committeemen are making great preparations for their banner event of the year—the Annual Entertainment and Ball on Saturday, February 12, 1938.

Mr. Charles Sussman was reelected president for third term of the Manhattan Division, No. 87, N. F. S. D., at the 192d session held at the Deaf-Mutes' Union League rooms on Wednesday evening, December 1st. Other officers who were also elected for the third time in succession were Dr. Edwin W. Nies, Vice-President, and Mr. Arthur Kruger, Secretary. Mr. Israel Solomon was chosen as Treasurer, taking place of Mr. P. Mozart Monaelesser, who is improving very rapidly at the St. Elizabeth's Hospital on Washington Heights.

The Lutheran Guild of the Deaf will entertain with a bunco and card party at the Eastern District Y. M. C. A. Hall, 179 Marcy Avenue, Brooklyn, this Saturday evening, December 18th.

Mrs. Leopold Epstein had an pleasant time at Reading, Pa., for two weeks as guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Goldberg.

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New York State

News items for this column and subscriptions should be sent to William M. Lange Jr., 57 Dove Street, Albany, N. Y.

A few weeks ago there was an article in this paper, by the noted head of a large Western School, warning us about the new tactics adopted by a certain group of persons in an effort to obtain dominance of the field of education of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. He stated that this group has developed a new definition of deafness and hard of hearing. According to them, a person born deaf is deaf. All others who became deaf later in life, even as early as three years of age, regardless of the fact they are stone deaf, are simply hard of hearing. The injustices of this definition is obvious, and it can be seen it is a clever scheme to swell the ranks of the hard of hearing at the expense of the deaf, thereby giving them the power of numbers.

To show this is not merely an idle alarm, we cite the following. The newspaper account of the second public hearing of the Governor's Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, of New York State, held in Troy, December 3rd, states; "A difference was established between hard of hearing and deaf cases. The former, in the commission's mind, represent persons born with normal hearing but afflicted as a result of disease or injury. They have learned to speak and are able to carry on despite of their difficulty. Deaf persons are those born with defective hearing. Because of the affliction they have not received education and, generally, have not even learned to talk." May I ask what difference there is in the speech ability of a child who was born deaf, and one who became deaf at the age of three months, or even at four or five? And what difference there is in their 'education'? We know many deaf persons born deaf, who can speak and lip-read as well or better than we, and we lost our hearing at the age of ten. We also know numerous persons who became deaf well after the age of four and five, who cannot lip-read nor even speak legibly. What difference does it make to an employer whom we ask for a job whether we were born deaf and cannot (in a few cases) talk at all, or whether we lost our hearing later on, and can say ten or twelve words that he can understand. As to the advantage of being hard of hearing over that of being deaf, the Federal Government survey shows that those men who are stone deaf and cannot speak at all have a much better employment record than those who can hear shouted speech. And, if persons thought we were merely hard of hearing they would insist on shouting in our ear, and render it impossible for us to lip-read at all. And the noise would cause everyone within two blocks to stare, embarrassing us so we could not lip-read anyway. No, all in all, we would much rather be called what we are, *deaf*, and not what others think would be much to our advantage—hard of hearing.

And can one imagine the injustice and rank criminality of trying to educate a deaf "hard-of-hearing" child with the hard of hearing? Isn't it obvious the whole thing is an attempt of the hard-of-hearing group to obtain more persons in their group and thereby control of the education of the deaf, as well as the hard of hearing?

The text of the newspaper account follows:

CARE OF DEAF CHILDREN SEEN JOB FOR STATE

A state-financed program for the detection and care of deaf children, those with impaired hearing, to be carried on by private physicians who meet requirements set by the New York State Medical Society or the state was advocated by Dr. Frank M. Sulzmann of Troy, last night when he appeared before the temporary State Commission to Study Facilities for Hard of Hearing and Deaf Children at a public hearing in the Rensselaer County Court House.

The hearing was the second of a series which the commission plans to hold in various parts of the state. Their findings will be combined into a report which will be presented to the Legislature not later than February 15th. Sen. Jacob H. Livingston of New York, is the commission chairman, with Dr. A. J. Hambrook of Troy, vice-chairman, and Sen. Clifford C. Hastings of Sand Lake as an active member.

Under questioning of Morris L. Ernst, commission counsel, Dr. Sulzmann admitted the necessity for concerted action in detecting and caring for afflicted persons. When asked what his ideas were relative to a plan of action, Dr. Sulzmann gave a detailed outline.

Cases brought to attention would be divided into four classes: Injury cases where the nerve has been damaged and treatment is hopeless. This class includes post-infective cases which should receive the care of specialists. The second group would include those where partial loss of hearing is caused by the presence of some disease which can be treated. Discharging ear cases would form the third group while the fourth would include progressive forms of deafness. The latter should be classified carefully, Dr. Sulzmann warned.

He declared that the medical profession stands ready to provide necessary treatment but he added that, since most deafness cases afflict persons unable to bear the financial burden, treatment places an unfair burden upon physicians. To overcome that situation, he urged that the state foot the bills. Standards could be provided for physicians and cases under their care would receive regular examinations by doctors not acquainted with the case to determine progress made.

It would be unfortunate, Dr. Sulzmann believed, to send these children to state schools without first giving them home treatment. When questioned pointedly if he believed that the state should make contributions to defray the expense of such treatments, the witness replied:

"I believe it would be a good investment to help a handicapped child."

Dr. Sulzmann appeared before the commission as a specialist who was former chairman of the State Medical Society's section on Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat cases and as attending eye and ear specialist at the Troy Hospital.

Another Troy witness was Mrs. James H. Donnelly, representing Parent-Teacher organizations. She admitted that parents are not fully aware of the problem but that the Parent-Teacher Association is beginning to take great interest in the work. She declared that the association, through its summer roundup physical examinations, is in a position to locate impaired hearing cases among children. In regard to treatment Mrs. Donnelly expressed the belief that the cases found should remain in local schools rather than be sent to state schools but that local schools should be provided with hearing aids and lip-reading instruction.

In preliminary remarks by commission members and hearing experts, it was brought out that persons afflicted with hearing difficulties are estimated to number nearly 1,000,000 in the state and that, with the exception of a few private schools or work done by some city education departments, little is done to assist them.

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The interest which the hearing caused locally was displayed by the presence, as spectators, of approximately 125 residents of Troy and vicinity who have hearing difficulties.

Through arrangement with the Sonotone Corporation, New York, fifty places were wired with a special hearing device, the Leiber oscillator whereby persons with impaired hearing are able to hear through the bones of the head which carry vibrations to the brain. The wired seats were in great demand during the evening. An interpreter, Harry D. Burt, Troy police fingerprint expert, was present to give to others not so served, the highlights of testimony by means of the sign-language.

Among other witnesses called was Hiram A. Jones, Ph.D., of the State Department of Education. He said that the department did not have a large enough staff to make an adequate study. He urged communities to make individual studies and map out treatment schedules.

He estimated that two and one half per cent of all school children had hearing difficulties which could be treated or otherwise recognized by special care and teaching. He further said that the state is adopting audiometer tests for school children and has appointed a supervisor for that form of work.

Dr. Joseph S. Lawrence, Albany, executive officer of the New York State Medical Society said that, in his opinion, the state should appoint a permanent commission for handling defective hearing cases and that department should establish state schools or

make local provision for handling cases. He estimated that more children suffered from impaired hearing than from eye troubles. The witness declared the program should embrace adults as well as children but that adults should be the first to receive attention.

A request for careful study before taking action was urged by John B. Hague, principal of the Rome School for the Deaf. He expressed the belief that local treatments were, in many cases, more advantageous than state school treatments and he appeared to be opposed to any idea of taking children less than five years of age away from their homes for treatment. The majority of cases, he said, can be handled locally with adequate provision in public schools.

Senator Hastings questioned him at length with regard to the ways in which defects are found in children and concerning the number of children in private institutions for the deaf.

Questions were put to witnesses first by Ernst and then by commission members or experts. Those listed as experts included Dr. Hambrook, Dr. Edmund P. Fowler, president of the American Society for the Hard of Hearing and research director for the Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital; Dr. Emily A. Pratt, medical inspector of the New York State Department of Education; Miss Estelle M. Samuelson, executive secretary of the New York League for the Hard of Hearing, and Victor O. Skyberg, superintendent of the New York School for the Deaf at New York.

The meeting closed with the announcement from Mr. Skyberg that the State Educational Department is organizing a survey of deaf and blind persons with the view to planning vocational guidance, training and treatment. Senator Livingston stated that several other hearings will be staged, one slated for the near future in the western part of the state. After the public hearings there will be private conferences with persons conversant with situation, after which the legislative report will be compiled.—Troy Record, Dec. 4th.

On December 4th the Capital District Association of the Deaf held a card party to raise funds for next summer's convention of the Empire State Association of the Deaf. Well over sixty persons attended, and it was apparent that all had a thoroughly good time.

Mrs. Earl Calkins, of Albany, made one of her frequent trips to Waterbury, Conn., with Mr. and Mrs. John of Troy, and Mr. Carpenter of Albany, for the affair on November 20th. While there they stayed with the DeMars of Bristol, Conn., and brought Miss Viola Jungle, sister of Mrs. DeMars, home with them. Miss Jungle, from Schenectady, had been visiting her sister for three weeks.

Detroit

The Detroit Hebrew Society of the Deaf held a balloon and Hollywood bridge party at the Jewish Community Center, corner Woodward and Holbrook, on Sunday, November 28th. About fifty people were there. The social was arranged by Miss Lois Haller.

Refreshments were sold and served by the ladies. The winners on the Hollywood bridge were Messrs. Pernick, E. Underhill and Heagle and three young ladies, whose names were not secured. The balloon blowing contest was won by Miss Margaret Beattie and Mr. Albert Dimon.

Frank Brown motored to Atlanta, Mich., during the deer hunting season, and brought home a 175-pound, eight-point deer.

Miss Kate Ashworth of Georgia, and Mr. Thomas Tulus of this city, were married on Thursday, November 25th, and were callers at the D. A. D.'s Hall.

Mrs. Eva Price of Eladore, Ill., is spending three weeks' with her married son. She was a caller at D. A. D. during its Penny Social.

Thomas Cole, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cole, passed away on November 16th. Burial was at St. Hedwig Cemetery. Sympathy goes to his parents.

On their honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. J. Haldon of Cleveland, Ohio, stopped at D. A. D. on Saturday evening, November 27th.

Mr. Tony Swetnick and Miss Sally Jones were united in marriage at the Lutheran Church of the Deaf, on Wednesday, November 24th. Miss

Jeanette May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George May, was bridesmaid. Mr. Swetnick's brother was best man.

On Saturday evening, November 20th a feather party was given by the N. F. S. D., Division No. 22, at Washington Hall. Many deaf people went home with turkeys, chickens, geese, ducks and hams. Mr. A. Japes was chairman.

On Sunday evening, November 21st, a feather party was given by the D. A. D. at its hall. Our one hundred prizes worth over \$200 were given to the winners. The D. A. D. made a good profit.

Mrs. Helen Bussing of Coldwater, Mich., was on her vacation for three weeks. She spent one week visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Pilliod of Swanton, Ohio. They attended Hal-low'e'n mask ball, held by the Toledo Division, N. F. S. D., at Toledo, Ohio, on November 13th. They were at N. F. S. D., Detroit, No. 2, feather party on November 20th. Mrs. Bussing spent one week with Mr. and Mrs. McSparin and the family, and they were Mr. and Mrs. George Pifer's guests on Thanksgiving Day. Then Mrs. Bussing stayed the rest of her time with Mr. and Mrs. George May and family. She left for her home last Thursday. She enjoyed her visit with her old schoolmates and everybody enjoyed her, as she was a charming visitor.

On November 10th, the Ladies' Auxiliary of the D. A. D. had its regular meeting and election of new officers. Mrs. Ruth Purvance is the newly elected president; Mrs. Mary James, vice-president; Mrs. Lucy May, secretary; Mrs. Jean, treasurer; and Miss Buettener, sergeant-at-arms. There were forty present.

The Ladies League of St. John's had its regular meeting and in the evening Mrs. Schneider arranged a country social, which was a very good one.

Rev. H. B. Waters is reported much improved at this writing, but he has not conducted any sermons in our church yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Bourcier got up a surprise birthday party in honor of Mr. Maurice Pernick at their residence last month. He received many useful gifts.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles DeForest on November 19th.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Johnson on November 14th.

Mrs. Fred Affeldt was in Stebenville, Ohio, to attend the funeral of his father, who passed away two weeks ago, aged 76.

Mr. E. M. Bristol was in University of Michigan Hospital for treatment a few weeks ago. He is much improved at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith of Ann Arbor, Michigan, had a 25th anniversary party, given by Mr. Smith's relatives on October 21st and on October 22d. About forty friends gathered there to celebrate the silver wedding.

There were about thirty-five people from Detroit attending the football game at Flint, Mich., with the Ohio team. The M. S. D. won the game by 7 to 0.

The Flint Association of the Deaf held a Hallow'e'n mask ball on October 30th. Over 300 attendance.

Flint boys were beaten by the Dearborn boys at football by the score of 61 to 0.

MRS. LUCY MAY.

Dec. 4th.

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church for the Deaf

Worshipping at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 177 South Ninth Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Services on the first, third and fourth Sunday of the month at three o'clock. Sunday School for boys and girls at their respective schools. Enrollment at the request of parents.

Arthur Boll, Pastor, 192 Hewes Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

CHICK-AW-GO!

By J. Frederick Meagher
No. 16

The chic young "Chicks"
And stalwart Micks
Who "sheared" our Hotel Sherman,
Sing, sad and slow,
"From Chick I go—
I'm going far, I fear, man."
Aw, "Chick"-aw-GO;
Our blessings blow
Upon your head, old bow-wow!
We'll meet you, pal,
In sunny Cal.—
At nineteen-forty's pow-wow!"
So let this be our happy hum—
"From Chick-I-Go; to Cal. I come!"

"Too much is enough!" William Aloysius Renner, the go-getting business-manager of this here DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL—with an ear to public demand—asks if my hallelujawing on last summer's glorious NAD convention isn't about done? Or am I trying to get a job at Gallaudet College as professor of Ancient History?

"Needs must when the devil drives!" So I am throwing away half my remaining notes, parboiling the remainder down to skin and bones, and rushing this serial to a close. Just a few more chapters; maybe one, maybe ten; oh well—nothing lasts forever.

What a princely pack of prime pals I found. Never since have I passed the proud portals of the Hotel Sherman without a sharp pang—day-dreaming of the likely lads and lovely lassies who gambled there when the goose hung high and cruel snows of winter were far away. The Nadir of the NAD. A peek of Deafdom at its peak. The Sherman now seems a tomb, a cenotaph, the Mausoleum of Mutedom. Our registration-stand is now a game-room with electric shooting-range and pin-games. Just an unused desk graces the barricaded area of "Information"—where once stood a big blackboard with ever-changing chalkings on lost, found, mail-for, Mr. wants to meet Mr., telegram for Miss, etc. No lobby displays except College Inn. The arena is almost deserted where once teemed hundreds—warm glances from sparking eyes, flip finger-flips and witty wig-wags. Honest, it wrings my heart.

Every city is dull after a large convention. The "reaction" is certain—all pomp and panoply dead as a dodo. Locals find locals dull and insipid, after the glamor and glory of fresh faces and stately strangers. Socials draw meager throngs. Nothing seems to click. Only Chi-First frats still keep up their morale and ring the bell.

Lord Livshis found early conventioners so persistent in demands for ticket-books at reduced rates, he had to wire Kenner and Sedlow—then aboard the Nickel-Plated NAD Special with Goths from Gotham—for permish to start sales Sunday afternoon, instead of waiting for the Moguls of Manhattan to personally arrive and sit around in state. Granted. Result: over \$2000 taken in for dues, registrations and ticket-books that afternoon and early evening. Wise-move.

Time was when no convention was complete without a "Photo by Pach," the deaf brother of that immortal firm in New York City. Pach used to be the favorite photog of Teddy Roosevelt, Admiral Bob Evans, managers of the America's Cup yachts, etc. Now fallen on lean days; practically forgotten. He used to be the writer of all Deafdom, early days of this century. Such is fame! By mail, he propositioned either the local committee, or the smoker satraps, for sale of a gigantic, more-than-lifeseize photo of Francis P. Gibson, Deafdom's "Miracle Man," for \$40. A bargain; we were enthusiastic—until some bright boy ups and asks "Where will we put it?" Sure enough; measurements revealed there is no room between windows of Frat headquarters large enough to place such a huge pix; neither local division has a home of its own. So a great idea died.

Do you know Judge Landis, czar of baseball, blocked my one sure-shot press-stunt? I asked Cubs and Sox (both played in Chi convention week) to use Luther "Dummy" Taylor, old Giant star, in batting practice and as baseline coach in one game. Calculated 2000 deaf would attend just to see farewell fling of old flinger. Preferred Friday afternoon, when New York Giants played Cubs. Cubs passed buck clear up to Landis; Landis told me it would not work out well—he had seen other long-gone idols try the same stunt, with poor results. So I sought the way to the wailing wall. Matthewson, McGinnity, Taylor, Wiltse, Ames; all dead except Taylor—and maybe Wiltse.

Know this is second time in NAD's 57 years of existence it met in Chicago? Last time was World's Columbian Exposition, 1893, 44 years ago; one of local committee then was a green kid just out of school, named Francis P. Gibson—getting his baptism of fire in national affairs. Wonder if any youngsters this year are destined to become second-Gibs?

The late George Wilhelm Veditz, last of Deafdom's Eight Greatest Fightingmen, shortly before his death moved Chicago to be the permanent convention city of the

National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, as it is headquarters-town. Idea not so hot; I feared human-failings of my fellow-townsmen might "pack the convention" and get away with murder. Especially so in a NAD affair. Show poor sportsmanship. Hence was delightfully surprised to find Chicagoans let our gallant guests gambol gaily and hog the floor at all times. Believe minutes will show only two local lights figuring in proceedings, though over half the crowd lived right here. The atmosphere was more of the Southern-hospitality type, than our typical "stick and slug" Go-Gettingism of the real Chicago. I couldn't help feeling proud of the old town. The haughty Eleanor Sherman of little old N'Yawk seemed to express the general sentiment when she told Frederick Fancher: "I like Chicago—in spite of Meagher!"

Met one of the Hearst proofreaders (hearing) in lobby; he asked me if John "Jumbo" Mueller, for long a vice-president of the Frats, was on deck. Surprised when I told him John died from a heart-attack when last winter's floods compelled hasty moving of his Louisville newspaper-force. S'long; he went away. I turned around—and sitting right there was the charming widow of good old "Jumbo." Too late for an introduction.

Of all the many "old-knows" associated in groups, the palm likely goes to class 1902 of Gallaudet College; just nine members present. Rev. Steideman, Rev. Waters, Northern, Geiffuss, Mrs. Mather, Mrs. Zorn, Mrs. Rink, my frau, and Miss MacGregor—daughter of our first president, 57 years ago.

Deaf made quite a play for the tricks and jokes case in Hotel Sherman lobby. Must have spent over \$100 for such souvenirs. Leslie Elmer of Tennessee, was "official photographer." Fred Kauffman of Baltimore, was the chief movie-maker. His films of Kansas City were interesting; we wait for the NAD results. Leo Lamkin Lewis of Dallas, was our John Llewellyn Lewis—the CIO talker; when Leo starts to finger-wag, he makes no stops for oil, gas or water. The boy seems to have a future. Several freshmen impressed me highly—seem promising material for future leadership. Lauritsen and Smaltz are as capable a brace of young chaps as any convention has revealed in the past 30 years. Wish I were half as capable as those two. For sheer looks, the palm goes to Scarvie and Hokanson. Clean-cut features, steady steady eye, keenly intelligent; "strong, silent man" type. Honest, open countenance of young squirts like Lynch, Larson, Ladner, Sellner, etc., recalled old days. The lads are the kind of man I used to try to be—respectful knights-errant to dainty damsels. With Youth's brave brief dreams still undisillusioned. Of the in-between age, best-bets for future leadership struck me as a trio of pulpit-pounders—Braddock, Pulver and Fletcher. Deep-thinking breed of youngsters were led by Sedlow, BBBurnes and Orman. Suave, slick, practical, determined, and deep as the sad salt sea. I really like that trio—despite occasional disputes. Their trains of thought vary widely as the poles—but right or wrong, are always interesting.

"Might have beens" were typified by Gompers. Last I saw him, nigh 30 years ago, he was playing ball for Fanwood, with Nimmo, Lux, etc. Gompers' uncle was the Sam Gompers, bigwig of Union labor. Gompie might have risen to eminence in the field of deaf labor, but something seems to have gone wrong in his life. Seem to recall reading something about his wife being killed beneath the wheels of a subway train, or something. Anyway, Gompers never attained the eminence we used to envision for him. Life is a peculiar proposition.

But if there were oodles of splendid young men—mostly happily married, there were several times as many unattached young ladies. And when I say ladies, I mean it with a Capital L. Having met my own wife at a convention (Colorado Springs, 1910) the romance-angle always has particular importance for me. Must have been thirty or more Gallaudet coo-eds of the last decade, all single. And every last one of them a "bargain" for ambitious youngsters. (Fact, pard; I owe most of my present repote to my college-bred squaw—those Peet-Products have a polish and gentility bound to react to a man's betterment in the workaday world.)

The lassie who impressed me as most likely to further the career of an ambitious bozo was Angelica Watson, ex-'32; typist for state of Arizona. Beautiful streamlined blonde, with all the latest accessories; constantly smiling; a ready mixer—knack cultivated by meeting political bigshots in the capital; flawless good-judgment; courage—Sedlow says she was "the only person who commiserated me before a crowd, on the dirty deal I got." Among other exceptional coo-eds I recall (made no notes, rely on memory) were Josephine Beesley of Dallas, Marie Coretti of Overlea, Ann Marino of Hartford, Ione Dibble of the Hispanola Museum in New York City (a super-swimmer in salt water, and one of the best canoeists on Long Island Sound). Oh, boy—those Peet-Products made a wonderful impression on Chicagoans.

But the heroine of the convention was a non-Gallaudetian—imagine! Eleanor Sherman, great granddaughter of the Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet! Stands 5.5;

weight 118; erect as an Indian; soulful brown eyes neath dark Spanish eyebrows; Hapshurgh jaw denoting bulldog firmness. "Valiant is the word for Sherman." Zounds, man; I can still envision her up on the platform—a slim, trim panther snarling defiance to our whole pack of howling hippopotami—telling us old foggies where we get off! Like Nurse Edith Cavell facing a Hun firing-squad. Or Mollie Pitcher manicuring one of those old Revolutionary War cannon with what seems to have been some sort of prehistoric bath-brush mounted on a pipe-cleaner or billiard cue. When I was a little boy, I got moral-uplift from that picture of Mollie Pitcher—"the pitcher that went to the well once too often"—and here we lucky conventioners saw our second-edition of the ramrod-reacher ram-rod-dering her pet theories down the conservative throats of us old moss-backs. Oh, boy; whatta woman; whatta woman!

Made us lump it and like it! Gawd, old top; whatta supper-table-coach and success-strategist wife that diminutive dame will make for some lucky lad. Wish she had been a boy and I had had her on my squad with Dewey Deer, Sanders, Seipp, and other gridiron goliaths I groomed for Gallaudet. Whatta all-time quarter-back I coulda made out of a guy with Sherman's brains and guts! A guy who "dared to be a Daniel;" a kid who would rather be right than be president; a chap who don't care two hoots in Halifax what the world thinks so long as his conscience is clear.

I've met many a highly-touted prodigy who proved a complete disappointment on personal inspection—but this poked-faced Eleanor Sherman seems ace-high, gilt-edged, 100%-performance and guaranteed-mileage.

Of course mix-ups will happen anywhere; one of the most humorous concerned—let's call him "X." He used to be one of our great? He drove a big car from a distant state; parked with an old friend in a suburb. Checked his car in the Sherman Hotel garage opening day; around 1 A.M. went to get it; careful hunt in the huge, lonely garage revealed no X-owned car. What rascals Chicagoans are, so he reported car stolen. And was he hopping mad! After about an hour of futile finger-spluttering to the lobby-loungers, he happened to mention matter to "Information;" was politely told the Sherman custom was to transfer unclaimed cars around midnight to an adjoining garage; want your car? Sure; we'll have it out front for you in a jiffy. The joyful "X" and party climbed aboard and chugged off—for a couple blocks. What's matter now? Engine proved OK; finally—why the blankety-blank blue-blazes, out of gas! Then around 3 A.M., nearest gas-station four blocks; four blocks "X" hoofed, plumb disgusted with that no-good tank-town of Chicago; asked the garage attendant to drive up and fill his tank. "Can't leave my station. I'm all alone here; but can give you some gas in a milk-bottle and you can drive here for a filling." So back went "X" with his milk-bottle—lonely streets; was just filling tank when police car came to sudden stop and an army of cops barged up ready for business. "X" had a heck of a time proving ownership of the car—it was reported as "stolen," wasn't it; who are you and watcher doin' out at this hour—trying to rob a bank? Difficulties finally ironed out—without "X" having to go to jail; got home around 4 A.M., "too mad to sleep—never saw so many cops push me around!"

I have grave doubts this "X" will harbor loving memories of Chicago hospitality. Just too bad, but such little incidents sure do rankle.

Talking about embarrassing situations? After having bragged and blown all over town what a phenomenal press-agent I think I am—by grace of having handled publicity at most of the large conventions of the past 30 years—it remained for Chicago to see my swelled-head get properly punctured. Had understood I was to handle publicity during convention here, same as usual; on contrary the Grand Board met in session soon as they arrived Sunday, and voted to demote me in favor of Indiana's Hafford Hetzler. Hetz did a swellgent job in the difficult role; got to hand it to the Hoosier. And the locals are still jibing me on what a pen-pusher I must be—not even good enough to fill the role in my own home-town.

An example of aid to the deaf, whether NAD members or not, is finding E. B. Urban. In brief: Supt. Daniel T. Cloud of the Illinois school, received a letter, addressed to the hotel, during the convention—hearing lady, stranger, writing him a deaf and dumb man, Urban, had a 2-story apartment building left him by dead parents; whereabouts unknown; his half-sister recently placed in insane asylum—unable to even give his first name; please help locate him. Looked like an impossible task. Supt. Dan puzzled; turned letter over to Frau Frieda, president Illini alumni, with instructions to investigate and advise him of outcome; Frau puzzled; arose at Wednesday movies in Bal Tabarin, and asked if anyone had ever heard of a deaf Urban. Sure enough, one lady from Portland, Oregon, opined the name was familiar; promised to investigate (and that's the last heard from her). Frau waited a while, then bombarded Oregon friends with queries. In less than two months, one—C. H. Linde, Gallaudet '13, lino-op on Portland Journal writes:

"Re E. B. Urban, 856 N-E Jarrett Street, Portland; asked him last night if he was from Chicago; yes; advised of facts, he was surprised, as he had been out of touch with Chicago relatives, parents dying some 20 years ago."

So Urban comes into an unexpected wind-fall through the NAD and its sympathizers; and if in consideration thereof he doesn't feel he owes the association the duty of becoming a life-member, then there is no gratitude nor justice in this world.

And yet some folks are so durned dumb they ask: "What has the NAD ever done for us?"

If the hearing stranger had not read in the newspapers of our convention, Urban would be out some \$10,000 more or less.

(To be continued)

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IN THE educational field frequent expressions of difference of views disclose the varying opinions of many prominent educators concerning what properly comes under the head of nonsense in children's reading. Must their reading be reasonable and sensible to their minds; do they stop to reason at all? Are books that represent animals as talking like human beings plain foolishness? What is really "nonsense" in the reading books prepared for children? Such questions have given rise to discussions *pro et con*; it has been answered by some in the affirmative, as leading children to lose interest in reading. On the other hand, it is argued that most grown-ups have been through the "nonsense" reading, and it has not visibly harmed their mental machinery.

A director of child's guidance, who has directed a staff of visiting children for years seeking to plumb the bottom of behavior, personality and scholarship problems of the mal-adjusted, joins those who fulminate against books for children that represent animals as using oral speech. He considers that now the tendency is away from fantastic books, and that children should be trained to use their imagination in every-day happenings, insisting that a child's early contact with reading should be factual, dealing with things familiar to him. He believes that even better results would follow if children did not learn to read until they have reached the age of nine, "the time when bright children learn faster. Those of slower mentality may learn to read at six, but that really means nothing to them."

According to his views, it would be preferable if children were sent to school at the age three, and that this will become ordinary in the future, since it is not fair to wait until their personalities are fully developed, variety of experience being preferable. Of course, personality development would advance better with others of their own age. However, the real

purpose of language teaching in not merely to teach children to talk, but rather to teach them to express their thoughts. This is apparently carried out in the Kindergarden schools under arrangements which train young children according to principles of natural growth. More recently it has been further advanced in the Montessori Method based on contrasts. Here emphasis is placed on the personal acts of the child, and this is said to be so successful that children are taught to read and write when three years of age.

In an attempt to reach a safe and sane final conclusion respecting the various ideas presented by the director we face a dilemma. To postpone the acquisition of reading by more competent children until they reach the age of nine, while the slower graders are encouraged to master reading at the age of six, looks like reversing the process by retarding the progress of brighter groups of children. A great truth is expressed in the old saw that when a child has learned to read he possesses the key to all knowledge. It is more than doubtful that any great advantage is possible for children of normal mentality, especially those considered very bright, by delaying the earliest possible acquisition of the reading habit.

WITH the intention of providing for the protection of health, and as a means of improving the physical education of school children in the public schools of New York State, a program of regulations was recently adopted by the State Department of Education. It means the tightening of physical education in the line of health-teaching for the benefit of all school children.

This has been the aim of a joint Committee of fifteen, including appointments from Superintendents of schools, Principals, Boards of Education, the State Board of Health and Physical Education, and the Public School Athletic League. It was this Committee which prepared the regulations after lengthy discussion and mature deliberation, and which received the approval of the Regents of the University of the State. The rules thus adopted, after a study of all phases of health, are intended to prevent or overcome physical, mental, and social handicaps of school children. They establish minimum requirements relating to the correction of physical defects, and the number of games allowable for teams to meet, in accordance with the variations existing between the health and physical educational facilities in different sections of the State. The health service thus becomes a part of the school curriculum, athletic sports becoming equally a part of and with academic subjects. The result is to lessen the inclination of athletic coaches to win games in any possible manner without regard to the physical condition of players.

One regulation provides that schools give attention to the correction of physical defects of children whose parents are unable to do so; another requires schools to make adequate development and preventive health education procedures and activities in order to meet the approval of the State Commissioner of Education when the required standard must be

reached. These requirements will undoubtedly strengthen health and physical education, as they stress attention on the prevention of accidents. The chief aim is the protection from accidents of children who take part in contests. Under the new regulations athletics are to be directed and financed in the same way as the various branches of academic subjects; each school must insure sufficient funds for its athletic program, with accounting of gate receipts, and the proper examination of those participating in games before and during the sports season. The new rules governing contests do not mention scholastic requirements, the intention being that all the pupils in the school are to participate on equal terms in the same way as with academic studies, without regard to scholastic grades.

The regulations demand that, "It shall be the duty of boards of education to sacrifice no individual for the sake of winning events, to equalize in so far as possible the powers of opponents in individual and group athletic competitions; to provide adequate health examinations before participation in strenuous activity and periodically throughout the season; and to permit no pupil to participate in such activity without the approval of the school medical officer."

Girls' activities are limited to club athletics, intramural games, play days and approved invitation contests. All such games are to be conducted under girls' rules, with women acting as referees, umpires or officials. Wherever possible, girls' contests are to be conducted under the immediate supervision of a woman physical education teacher.

These rules will prevent the exploitation of girls who have been used in some schools for the purpose of increasing gate receipts.

Employment Service for the Deaf

With the reorganization of the New York State Employment Service, a great many changes have taken place in the location of the offices where applicants are to go to register.

Miss Helmle, the Special Representative for the Deaf, still has her office at the same address, 124 East 28th Street, New York City. If you do not know which office to apply to for a job, Miss Helmle will be glad to interview and try to help in this matter. She will, of course, also continue to help deaf people get jobs.

In the new organization set-up of the New York State Employment Service, you should find the office they have opened nearest to your home. You should report to this office immediately to register. After you have registered they will tell you when to report back for another interview. Be sure to keep the appointments they make for you. Also, be sure to answer immediately any correspondence, telegrams or telephone calls that you may receive from them or Miss Helmle. There may be a job for you and if you fail to answer correspondence from them or Miss Helmle, you may lose a job or you may lose your Unemployment Insurance benefits. If you are employed when you receive a message, be sure to report this information to them immediately. If you get a job yourself or are working when you hear from them, be sure to notify them immediately. This is not only the courteous thing to do but it also shows the employment office that you are interested and willing to cooperate.

If there is anything you do not understand about the reorganization, if you have difficulties in your interviews with people in the New York

State Employment Service and are not clear as to what they are trying to explain to you, Miss Helmle will be glad to try to straighten things out for you.

Miss Helmle's office hours are from nine to twelve o'clock and two to four o'clock on Monday and Wednesday. Interviews on other days should be made by special appointment. The telephone number is Murray Hill 3-9000.

OHIO

The students at the school were treated to a fine turkey dinner Thanksgiving and a good entertainment in the chapel in the evening. In fact, all felt when bed time came that they had very much for which to feel thankful.

Mr. and Mrs. William Myles had as their Thanksgiving guests Mr. and Mrs. Art Hanson of Madison, Wisconsin. As Mrs. Myles was raised in Wisconsin, these friends enjoyed being together. And, by the way, I had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Myles for the first time at the recent meeting of the Columbus Branch of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association.

Another guest in Columbus for the holiday was Miss Kathryn Rutherford of Toledo, who spent the day with the Fred Moores at their home in Worthington. Miss Rutherford's parents live in Delaware, Ohio, and being there she had to run down to see how the Moores were.

Principal Nilson is no longer paying house rent but boasts of being a landlord. Seems in the spring he bought a house on Franklin Ave. and had the upper part remodeled into two apartments and he and his family occupy the lower part. As the house is in a desirable locality he has both apartments rented.

Mr. Leonce Odebrecht, for many years a most valued teacher at the Ohio School but now retired, spends his time somewhat like the birds as he migrates to the north in summer and to the south in winter. The other day he called at the school while in Columbus on his way to the south. His old friends were glad to see him again.

Rev. Georg Almo is to be ordained December 18 at Trinity Church at eleven o'clock by Bishop Hudson of the Southern Ohio diocese. This ordination was to have taken place last June, but owing to Rev Almo's illness and operation it had to be postponed. He has been conducting regular service for some months.

Mr. Lloyd Morley is looking happy these days as he has been given a position with an optical company in Columbus. This is a large manufacturing company which makes glasses and machinery for optical firms. Field Agent Mr. Taylor secured the place for him and his friends are hoping his work will prove satisfactory as he is the first deaf man to be employed by the company.

The following taken from the Ohio *Chornicle* shows how active the members of the Ohio Deaf Motorists Association are and what they accomplish. The lawyer, Mr. Windom, mentioned is the son-in-law of Mr. Wm. H. Zorn, having married Dorothea Zorn. The case of Addison Tasker, the Columbus deaf driver whose license was revoked for life, was re-tired and modified in Judge Clifford's traffic court Friday morning, Nov. 26th. Judge Clifford made the sentence less severe by reducing it to six months, at the end of which Mr. Tasker may drive again, provided he can produce proof of having secured some sort of protective liability insurance.

A case of this type is very seldom possible for re-trial in a municipal traffic court, but Judge Clifford's willingness to re-consider the case can be attributed to his broad understanding of the fact that the

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MINNESOTA

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TWIN CITY NEWS

Latest reports from Charles Thompson Hall, Marshall and Fairview Avenues, St. Paul, state that all is in readiness for the Monster Christmas Party to be held there on December 24th. A very large turnout is anticipated.

There was nearly a full attendance at the monthly meeting of the Minneapolis-St. Paul Division, No. 61, N.F.S.D., which was held at the Hall on December 4th. The principal business was the election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, Raymond Inhofer; Vice-President, E. mer Fiedler; Secretary, Herman Von Hippel; Treasurer, Helmer Hagel; Director, Richard Spater; Sergeant, Leon Getzug; Trustees, Walter Falmoe and Francis Colburn.

Russel Fetzer has served the division as treasurer for eight years and could without doubt have been re-elected had he desired. When he dug up Cal Coolidge's famous "I do not choose to run," the hunt for a man to fill the important post was at once begun. Helmer Hagel, who has become familiar with the work through his services as trustee, was prevailed on to run and was elected without opposition. Previous to Fetzer's term John McNeill served the Division as treasurer for ten years.

All of the officers, except one, attended the Minnesota School and starred in athletics. Richard Spater is a day-school product who is very intelligent and a hard worker. It was good to see his name on the slate of officers.

Lyle Haggerty has returned to the Mill City after spending two months in the East. He was in New York City and other points. On November 24th Lyle and his brother Clare, accompanied by Evelyn Pap, motored to Milaca, Minn., where they spent Thanksgiving with the Pap family.

The hockey season is in full swing. On November 28th the St. Paul City team met a team from Wichita, Kansas, at the St. Paul Auditorium. In attendance at the game were Samuel Sagel and Ernest Chenvert, dived-in-the wool fans.

After spending two weeks in the hospital on account of a stomach ailment, Jens Hansen is now convalescing at his Minneapolis home. Back in the teens Mr. Hansen was for many years efficient treasurer of the Minneapolis-St. Paul Division, N. F. S. D. Mr. Hansen is a first class tailor. The Hansens have two fine grownup children, a boy and a girl, who are making their mark in the world.

Faribault's Reverend Henry O. Bjorlie spoke at the Zion Lutheran Church in Minneapolis on Sunday, November 28. A large number of deaf folks attended. On Sunday, December 5, the Reverend Bjorlie divided his time between the Iowa and Nebraska Schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Schimmle, of Mapleton, spent the December 4th week-end in the Twin Cities. They met friends at the clubhouse Saturday night and returned to their Mapleton home on Sunday.

It seems that presidents have something in common. Press reports indicated that President Roosevelt recently suffered with a toothache. The tooth was dislodged and infection followed. At the same time Hugo Schunhoff, President of the Minnesota School for the Deaf Teachers' Association, found one of his teeth aching and had a dentist pull it. Just as in the Roosevelt case, infection set in. Mr. Schunhoff was forced to stay in bed for several days, just as Mr. Roosevelt did. In our school building is a statuette of President Roosevelt. Students having read of the President's tooth

trouble secured some gauze bandage and wound it around the head of the statuette, hoping to relieve the pain in the Chief Executive's cranium. Next day press reports stated that Mr. Roosevelt had practically recovered.

Exactly sixty-two persons were seated around the banquet board at Eagles Hall on Saturday evening, December 4th, as the Faribault Frats and Auxiliary joined in a program to honor Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, founder of the first school for the deaf in America. A dozen late comers were in time to enjoy the speaking program and entertainment which followed.

After full justice had been done to the appetizing supper prepared by the Auxiliary frats, Toivo Lindholm took the floor as toastmaster. He announced that the toasts would touch on the lives of four Gallaudets: Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, his wife, Sophia Fowler Gallaudet, and his two sons, Edward Miner Gallaudet and the Reverend Thomas Gallaudet.

Victor Spence, Gallaudet Class of 1903, spoke on the life of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet; Hubert Sellner, Class of 1937, spoke on the life of Sophia Fowler Gallaudet; Peter N. Peterson, Class of 1898, covered the life of Edward Miner Gallaudet; and Toivo Lindholm, Class of 1923, gave interesting details on the life of the Reverend Thomas Gallaudet.

Dr. J. L. Smith, Class of 1883, followed with an impromptu talk on an interesting incident at the first school for the deaf in America, the American School at Hartford, as related to him first hand by Louis C. Tuck, Gallaudet Class of 1870, who has a student at the Hartford School back in the early sixties. Though still active, Mr. Tuck was not present at the banquet. Mr. Tuck still vividly recalls Laurent Clerc and the latter's daughter, who were teachers at Hartford. Miss Clerc was Mr. Tuck's teacher for a time and he recalls that he visited at the Clerc home. The program was closed with the rendition of a poem "Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet," by Mrs. Chester Dobson, Class of 1928.

After the program, bridge was played at twelve tables, first honors going to Mrs. Boatwright and Mr. Klein. Second place winners are Mrs. Klein and Mr. Roth.

At the December meeting of the Faribault Division 101, N. F. S. D., held on the fourth, new officers for the coming year were elected. There were no heated campaigns for offices. The majority of the members present did not choose to run and it took some coaxing to get a full slate. The men elected are all capable and experienced and the Division should face a very good year.

The results of the election follow: President, L. A. Roth; Vice-President, V. R. Spence; Secretary, Toivo Lindholm; Treasurer, Frank Thompson; Trustees, Robert Oelschlager, Roy Rodman, and Toivo Lindholm; Director, J. J. Yanok; Sergeant, Charles Mansfield; Deputy organizer, V. R. Spence.

On the same evening the Auxiliary Frats conducted their annual election. The results follow: President, Mrs. V. R. Spence; Vice-president, Mrs. John Boatwright; Secretary, Mrs. Wesley Lauritsen; and Treasurer, Mrs. Toivo Lindholm.

The two organizations will sponsor a joint Christmas party at Eagles Hall on the evening of December 23. All of the Faribault deaf folks and their children are invited. In order that a sufficient number of Christmas bags may be prepared, those planning to attend should notify Emery Nomeland.

On the evening of December 31, the two organizations will sponsor a party at the Elgin Blue Room, which is over the Elgin Restaurant. Members are requested to be present at eight o'clock for a business meeting. The social which will continue into 1938 will begin at nine.

Oscar Johnson is again enjoying singleblessedness. His wife has gone to California and the prospects are that she will be away the better part of six months. Last week Mrs. Johnson attended the wedding of her son Robert in San Francisco. Robert was married to his Faribault sweetheart, Agnes Rainey. Miss Rainey's mother accompanied Mrs. Johnson to California to attend the wedding and returned after a week's sojourn in the west.

Exactly fifty years ago, December 1, 1887, local printer Frank Thompson wrote his first letter at the Minnesota School for the Deaf, his teacher being Mrs. M. E. Roberts, now of Washington, D. C. The lesson has been preserved all these years by Frank as a keepsake and he showed it to friends at the Gallaudet Social.

The Minnesota School for the Deaf basketball team opened its 1937 basketball campaign on its own floor on Friday evening, December 5, by defeating the Medford High School quint, 27 to 12. The teams played on almost even terms during the first half, the Maroon and Gold emerging with only a three-point lead, 9 to 6.

In the second half Coach Lloyd Ambrosen's proteges seemed to find themselves and played good early-season basketball. Bob Netzloff took high scoring honors for the evening with eight points, three field goals and two free throws. Clayton Nelson and Larry Koziol scored six and seven points each, respectively. The defensive game of our boys was good in the second half, the visitors being held to five tallies.

CHICAGOLAND

Like a calf walking on its rickety legs, the first annual regular dance and no cards, mark you, staggered to the goal with a success that was definite, on December 4th, sponsored by the Illinois Silent Athletic Club whose extremely small membership has jumped to what is reported the number of seventy. The hall was somewhere on Milwaukee Avenue, not far from Damen Street; it is opposite a former post-office, once known as Wicker Park Station, and now a printing shop. Nearby was a store, where a cigar making business once flourished under the direction of the writer's father before unionism pushed it out of Chicago to Wisconsin a score of years ago.

They gingered up the dance with a contest for the best dancing pair. By elimination, Henry Popper, a former student of Bell Oral Day School, and his partner, Miss Jenie Macjewski, of the Bedleir School of the same kind, were winners of silver loving cups. Both have some degree of hearing, which must have enabled them to waltz in close unison with music, an old ancient waltz being required and no other step allowed in this contest. One hearing judge, a naturalized European, did not fall afoul of any criticism for his careful selection. Mr. Hooper is a baker by trade. The chairmanship of this party belonged to Joseph Wiban.

At the dance was Theodore Popp, just arrived from a boxing match which he won against a hearing opponent in the first round. He derived satisfaction from it, for since he became a member of the Central Association, Amateur Athletic Union, he was able to win only two out of eight meets during this season. He weighs 130 pounds, and was graduated from the Beidler School.

Al Libenstein was full of news, having recently returned from his three weeks' vacation in Texas. In Denton, Texas, he met H. W. Buell, for many years in the Fair Department Store.

He owns a sixteen-acre farm and raises wheat, oats, vegetable, fruits and has two cattle, four sheep and many chickens and turkeys. With his wife, he has achieved competence.

Mr. Liebenstein bumped into Mr. and Mrs. Hosea Hooper, both Texans who tried to make their residence in Chicago permanent several years but were forced to go back to their native state, living in Denton. Mr. Hooper owns 46 acres, given by his father. He has fifty pecan nut trees. His social activities have nowise diminished he organized the Denton Chapter of the Texas Association for the Deaf during last summer. Of this group, H. W. Buell is president, and Hosea Hooper, secretary-treasurer.

A well-oiled conspiracy culminated in a surprise party for Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert O. Erickson, on November 20th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Keesal. The abettors were uncovered as Mesdames Keesal and Frankel, their motive having taken the cue from the fact that the Gilbert pair were married for thirty-five years. They were put through the traditional ABC of mock marriage ceremony, Harry Keesal made a good imitation of a pastor. Cards, refreshments par excellence, fun-poking, stretched the night far into the morning.

Helen Kinzig was taken by surprise on November 20th, at her home, located near Lincoln Park, by her friends, organized by Eleanor Piekarz. It was to celebrate her birthday.

The Ephpheta Social Center made up a Thanksgiving Party with cards first from 7:30 to 10:00 P.M., and next with silent movies from 10 to 12 on November 20th. The locale was Sodality Hall, May Street, the former headquarters near Roosevelt Road, where this club saw the first few years before moving to the Ashland Boulevard address. The chairman was Michael Kubiesa.

About one hundred people attended the annual bazar of the All Angels' Church, November 20. And yet it netted a nice sum of \$158.19. The Women's and Men's Guilds backed it.

For several weeks past, Mrs. Landislaus Cherry was confined to bed at her mother's with heart ailment. She is slowly on the mend.

Standing on the sidewalk, Mrs. Marie Ellman was hit by an auto that jumped over the curb and turned into her. She is now back from the hospital, left leg in a cast. The reckless driver is paying all doctor and hospital expenses.

Virginia Dries, as ever, made her annual pilgrimage to her parental home in Peoria, Illinois, over Thanksgiving week-end. She was the one who really headed the ladies night of the Chicago N.A.D. convention week, assisted by Mrs. Peter J. Livshis and others. J. Frederick Meagher made an error writing in this paper crediting Mrs. Livshis with generalship.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Small of California are making themselves at home, so it appears, as it is already a few months. They expect to stay around until next February.

Mrs. Edwin Teweles has added another new address to her four others. She left Chicago for California for the winter. It is understood the climate over there ran between 80 and 90 degrees. Is that what she wants?

Mrs. Ralph Weber had a deluge, consisting of various stork showers given here and there, by friends and then relatives during these last two months.

Engaged: Miss Gertrude Levin, a graduate fresh from the Illinois School for the Deaf, to Solomon Dietch.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Leitner: a baby boy, early November.

Leslie Hunt, the professional magician, is on the way to becoming a world trotter. He recently returned here from a professional trip to South America.

Betrothed—Miss Mary Connolly and Jack Graner, employed at the Cuneo Press.

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SEATTLE

The annual bazaar of the Lutheran Ladies' Aid, held November 27, at the hall was a satisfactory affair. It is surprising how this can be kept up every year when the Seattle silent population is small, 85 to 100. A roast beef dinner was served to about 60 people, many of them were hearing friends. Mrs. John Adams, the treasurer of the Ladies Aid, reported a neat profit.

Mr. and Mrs. Claire Reeves donated to the bazaar several heads of cabbage, bags of walnuts, apples and eggs from their little ranch near Kent, and they all were sold at once and was a demand for more.

Our Mrs. Olaf Hanson, now of Oakland, who has been visiting in Seattle the past three weeks, attended the dinner and bazaar and all of her friends were delighted to see her again. She is looking well and natural. At Mrs. Edna Bertram's home, on a recent Sunday, Mrs. Hanson's talk about her trip from Seattle to Milwaukee, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Washington D. C., and back to Oakland pleased the 25 guests, gathered for her reception. She remarked lovingly of Gallaudet College, where she visited and where she found to her pleasure that the Co-eds maintain their sorority—the O. W. L. S.

Mrs. Hanson was the honor guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Dortero at a turkey dinner on Thanksgiving Day and was also invited to dinners and luncheons by Mrs. N. C. Garrison, Miss Genevieve Sink, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Koberstein, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Travis, Mrs. Carl Spencer and others.

The bi-monthly social of the Boy's Club, held at Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Garrison's home the night before Thanksgiving Day, was jolly with numerous youthful people playing cootie for a box of chocolates, which Mrs. Meakin and Carl Spencer won. Ed. Martin took the booby in form of a dancing Hula Hula doll. After that the merry-makers played bridge till a delicious luncheon consisting of hot vegetables, biscuits, two kinds of cakes and coffee were served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrison have installed a Duo-Therm oil heater at their home. They are evidently prospering in spite of the "depression talk."

Mrs. T. A. Lindstrom of Salem, Oregon, received word that Mr. and Mrs. Williams, of Indianapolis, Indiana, presented Supt. and Mrs. E. S. Tillinghast a grandson, October 14. It is their first grandchild. We all extend congratulations to the young parents as well as to the grandparents.

Mrs. A. C. Shepherd, of Toronto, Canada, called on the writer a couple days ago. She left home, October 5, on a tour of 6000 miles, visiting Chicago, St. Paul, Milwaukee, Los Angeles, and coming up to San Francisco, Berkeley, Portland, Seattle, Victoria, Vancouver, British Columbia and thence home in Toronto. She visited her old schoolmate, Mrs. Simon Himmelschein, and spent a couple weeks in Berkeley with Mr. and Mrs. Redmonds, old school friends, who tendered a party for her. In Portland Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Reichle entertained her. Mrs. Shepherd planned stopping at Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Riley in Victoria and also some friends in Vancouver. We were glad to hear about Mrs. Thomas Bradshaw, our old friend. She would love to return to our Charmed Land.

The N. F. S. D. New Year party committee, Messrs. Wright, Spencer, Bodley, Malstrom and Lowell, have been preparing for the annual watch social to be held at I. O. O. F. hall at 1706 Market St., at Ballard, in the northern part of Seattle.

William LaMotte underwent a delicate but successful operation on his left eye for the removal of a cataract

at a local hospital. He is wearing dark glasses for the present. He mingled happily at the Lutheran's bazaar and was able to see all of his friends. He was confirmed into the Lutheran faith by Rev. W. A. Westerman at the regular services last Sunday.

Mrs. Carl Spencer enjoyed a whole week with Mrs. James Lowell in Tacoma, and on Thanksgiving Day Carl joined his wife and they and the Lowells had a big turkey dinner. The latter's daughter, Marguerite Lowell from the Vancouver school, was home with them.

P. L. Axling went to Vancouver, Wash., for Thanksgiving Day. We all are wondering what the attraction is there.

Miss Pearl Martel, of Enumclaw, one of the Vancouver June graduates, is staying with Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wright for a while.

Election of the officers of the N. F. S. D., last night, resulted as follows: President, James Lowell, of Tacoma; Vice President, A. W. Wright; Secretary, N. C. Garrison; Treasurer, J. T. Bodley, and Sergeant-at-arms, Paul Hoelschner. Director Carl Spencer and Trustee for three years, A. H. Koberstein.

The newly formed officers of the Seattle Auxfrats, No. 44, are President, Mrs. A. W. Wright; Vice-President, Mrs. Claire Reeves; Secretary, Mrs. N. C. Garrison; Treasurer, Mrs. Carl Spence, and Sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. W. E. Brown. There were 20 active members. Mrs. Olaf Hanson became a honorary member. She delivered another interesting speech, saying it was circumstances that decided her home at Oakland with her daughter, Mrs. Marion Martin and her family. Mrs. Hanson was blessed with another grandson who arrived at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Helen Bass, in Portland, November 30, and she received hearty congratulations.

From Tacoma comes the news of the passing of Mrs. George Ecker, December 3. She had been ill with cancer for a year. All friends in the Puget Sound country and elsewhere extend their sincere sympathy to Mr. Ecker, his daughter and two sons.

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Illinois School Building Dedication (Conclusion)

Gray, sunless day: Football clash between the Minnesota and Illinois Schools for the Deaf.

Expansive, full-lighted evening: Dedicatory ceremonies in the new auditorium for four new buildings built for the Illinois School for the Deaf.

Cold, autumnal night: Homecoming Dance in the I. S. D. Gymnasium.

These three parts made up Saturday, October 16. The dedication part was directed by Hon. A. L. Bowen, Director of the Department of Public Welfare; Dr. Ignatius Bjorlee, Superintendent of the Maryland School for the Deaf and President of the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf, and Mr. Daniel T. Cloud, the Managing Officer of the Illinois School. The invocation and benediction were delivered by Rev. H. S. Rutherford.

After expressing regret that Governor Horner found it impossible to be present at the dedication, Mr. Bowen explained the source of funds which built these buildings. He then described the beginning of the school in 1839:

"This school is the oldest of Illinois charitable and educational institutions. A prison was Illinois' first welfare institution. The school not only preceded all other welfare institutions, except the prison, but it antedated even the public school system of Illinois. It sprang from a strange combination of fine sentiment and community self-interest. No one really knew where there was real need for a school to educate the deaf of the young and sparsely settled Illinois. In that day, there were no means of communication or transportation. Every family was an isolated unit. But someone had heard about another state that had established a school to educate deaf and the people of Jacksonville, striving to establish and expand their town, thought it would help if the school were located within its borders. And both the sentimentalist and the city builder combined forces and succeeded."

He pointed out that times had changed. In old days, monuments were built first and institutions afterwards. In the case of four new buildings that rose at the school for the deaf, it marked the first reversed procedure: Houses first, stones next.

He further elaborated:

"Our money goes into utility, into usefulness, into comforts, and needs for those who are to live in them. Tonight nearly 400 of our deaf children will sleep in safety."

"Meanwhile there has never been delay in providing academic equipment in the school rooms. What has been needed for the newest methods of instruction has been furnished."

"But it is futile to continue this program of new buildings and new equipment if we fail to do our part in the field of discovery. It is our duty to give aid in research and study that will insure the race freedom from the bonds of deafness. I am proud of the part this school is taking in this great advance. I am proud of its leadership in education and in construction of new buildings, but my greatest prize is in its fine associations with those other professional fields where men and women labor to give us the secret of deafness and the key to its eradication as an enemy of man."

A fine intellectual-faced teacher Dr. Ignatius Bjorlee, followed with a tribute in his addresses to Mr. Cloud, remarking, "Few men in our profession have said less and actually accomplished more than Mr. Cloud. He has coupled his inheritance of an intimate knowledge of the deaf and their problems from his father (Rev. James H. Cloud) with the stamina and courage to stand by his convictions."

"The eyes of the deaf profession," he said, "have been focused on the Illinois School for several years because of its phenomenal growth and the remarkable manner in which its managing officer and his teaching staff, probably excelled by none in the country, have handled the situation."

Dr. Bjorlee praised the Illinois School for judicious grading of its students, applying the method which it feels best for individuals and not forcing upon all a rigid and uniform rule.

"From the very inception of education of the deaf in the United States," he said, "a rival system to that which is here employed was instigated and has been maintained up to the present day. At one time the rift between the two factions was almost as wide as are the poles themselves. Pure oralism became almost a crusade while in certain quarters there lurked a feeling that all oral instruction represented a tremendous waste of time and energy."

"It is gratifying to report that out of all this strife has developed a wholesome understanding among the more influential men and women of our time."

In art of sign delivery Mr. Cloud was admirable, especially so when he addressed the deaf alone. His long fingers moved with the pace of what nearly resembled "slow motion," revealing the secret of grace. However, when he interpreted for the hearing or spoke the same time he signed, it was not altogether like himself. One seldom succeeds in the ability for double-action with utmost fidelity. Nevertheless, his individual manner was clear to the eye.

Mr. Cloud, in answering the question, "Will the changes in the physical plant of the new school result in other changes?" said that he thought they would.

"We shall have a better opportunity," he said, "to re-evaluate our objectives in the field of educating the deaf. We shall be enabled to pursue better the policy of 'fitting the method to the child and not the child to the method.'"

"There will be changes. Only, however, will they occur when we are convinced they are for the better. There is no desire or inclination to discard tried and true policies. The future welfare of the child will be given careful consideration."

Mr. Cloud and his wife were hospitable hosts to Henry Rutherford, Mrs. J. Frederick Meagher, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Livshis, and Mr. and Mrs. Orman, Friday evening, October 15, with a distinguished dinner.

The program of the Homecoming Dance of eleven numbers was quite a filler for the rest of night after the speeches. Mr. Frederick G. Fancher, the bandmaster of the deaf orchestra was amusing to watch; with one hand wafting the baton and the other talking to the musicians, was something that ought to go a Hollywood pix one better. The affair was backed by double committees, student and faculty. Wayne Otten, Albert Goldsand and Raymond Pepperdine; Mrs. Stanley, Miss Tate and Mr. and Mrs. Orman, respectively.

The present enrollment of students at this school numbers over five hundred, 1/2 which was a drop from last year's six hundred.

The pressing problem, it appears, is that of vocational training. It is understood that the next additional building to be built will take care of all trades that have been taught. At this stage, before the construction starts, the Illinois Association for the Deaf is planning to take a general census of the deaf in relation to the trade he is engaged in or the failure to make grade after having received a training in the school. This association wishes to ascertain whether the trades taught are in themselves of value, even if they may fail to help the student land the job which he has been taught to learn, but may have grounded him in the fundamentals, without which he would probably be worse handicapped in more ways than one. It also wishes to ascertain what other new trades should be necessary for the deaf to practice in adjustment with new industrial conditions. In the following columns sketchy facts, as collected by the writer, will be set forth.

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PHILADELPHIA

News items for this column should be sent to Howard S. Ferguson, 250 W. Sparks St., Olney, Philadelphia, Pa.

Step right up, ladies and gents, and meet the new big-wig of Philly Thirty. Mr. Messa, meet the ladies and gents. Kind of surprised, folks? We all are, here in town. You see, at the regular Frat meeting on December 3, Mr. Albert Messa bowled over such celebrated notables as John E. Dunner and Cecil Turner and came out on top in a close voting. Even the rest of the elections were tight, witness below. Mr. Warren Holmes was elected No. 2 man by a single vote over Mr. Edward Wadleigh. The easiest winner of the night was Mr. Hugh Cusack for the secretaryship. He had no one to race with. The big surprise was where Mr. William L. Davis, poppa of the Division, just managed to hang on to the treasurer's position, nosing out very, very dark horse, Mr. Lewis Long, one vote. For Director, Mr. Benny Urofsky copped the same, thus putting a new face in the officers list. Mr. William Smith stepped out of the Trustee's office and stepped right back again when he won hands down. The cop at the door is the same, Mr. John Bessusparis, as none come as big as he. He seems to have a monopoly on the Sergeantship.

Two days later at the H. A. D. hall, the members started ballot counting and after the returns were swept up by the janitor, it leaked out that they have elected for President one Joe Gelman, famous candy salesman of P. I. D. long ago. For Vice-President they elected Mr. Harry Gurwitz, that rare man who sports moustache. Secretary and Treasurer are the same as before—Mr. and Mrs. Sylvan G. Stern—the former in the latter and the latter in the former. (You figure it out, Rollo). The new Trustee is Mr. Joseph Rubin, same man in charge of the Hadders' coming Bal Masque on January 8th.

Bernard McGinley reached his 40th milestone November 26th. So Joe Schmuller, the fellow who keeps Henry Ford's Chester shop spick and span, gave a party for Bernard and some 60 friends invaded the Schmuller Shack and raised whoopee in Bernard's honor. Bernard himself came with a present as he was told the party was for Joe. A box of cigars for Joe and everything else for Bernard. We thank you.

Mr. Louis Miller, West Philadelphia, has been laid low for three weeks suffering from an attack of yellow jaundice. And Mr. John Funk is back again at Hahnemann, suffering probably from his old ailment—kidney trouble.

Miss Jane Rowand, of Highland Park, passed away December 2nd from pneumonia. She died in Hahnemann Hospital a week after her entry. Miss Rowand, about 25 years of age, was the girl who won first prize with her original costume at the Silent A. C. Ball in November. We are told that she had just got over the gripe at that time and the excitement of the ball and her weakened condition caused a relapse, which resulted in pneumonia and eventually her death.

A sad fact about this was that Mr. Ray Phillips, Jane's reported fiance, had just been discharged from a local hospital in Atlantic City after an operation for appendicitis, when Jane entered Hahnemann.

At the Frat meeting, with Rev. Henry J. Pulver making one of his rare visits, he was called upon and delivered a very interesting eulogy on Charles Rollinson, a departed Brother.

Philadelphia papers carried an item, about where a man was saved from drowning in the surf off Atlantic City. He was rescued when a buoy was tossed to him off the Steel Pier. It turned out to be Mr. Frank Belfus.

Mr. Charles Kepp is back from his ramblings all over Pennsylvania. Where he went, what he did—we don't quite know for sure. But once we collar him we should get some interesting bits of news. As a matter of fact we know he called on Peter Graves out in Pittsburgh 'cause he brought back for us from Peter a present—a beautiful hat rack. As soon as we can get a nail suitable for the hat rack, it will be hung up for all and sundry to see.

Miami, Fla.

Mrs. James Cannon came back to Miami Beach, Fla., over a month ago from Maryland in her traded-in Chevrolet and made a round of calls on her friends here, giving out fruits, nuts and vegetables that were grown in her home yard in Maryland. Now she and Mr. Cannon are spending this winter in Stuart, Fla.

Mr. H. I. Antila left here some time ago for his home near Boston, Mass., after having worked for a while on the *Miami Tribune*, this paper being bought out by the *Miami Herald*, throwing 100 employees out of work, including Mr. E. Pope.

Mrs. Cleveland Davis underwent another operation at Kendall hospital recently and is convalescing at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Paul Blount.

Edward Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Morris, wrote home telling of his experience about being caught in a hurricane last September. The destroyers, the Claxton and the Manley, left Norfolk, Va., for European waters. They had smooth sailing for two days. Then they ran right smack into the hurricane and could not get out of it for three days. They got out of it once one night, but the storm curved and hit them again.

They were about 500 miles east of Norfolk when the storm hit. When it was all over with, they were about 50 miles from Cape Sable in Nova Scotia. The destroyers were so severely damaged that they were ordered back to Boston for repairs, which took about three weeks.

The first day of the storm, Edward was on watch on the after-deck house, which was between 10 and 15 feet above the water line. Water came over the stern and almost washed him away. Luckily he was near a stanchion, which he hung onto for dear life. No lives were lost. Now Edward is at Gibraltar, B.P., and may stay in the Spanish waters 10 months.

On November 14th Rev. F. C. Smielau was here and conducted afternoon service at the Trinity Episcopal Church, and left the same night for Tampa, Fla.

Mr. Herbert Wright of Miami spent Thanksgiving day with his family in Tampa, Fla. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jennings went along with him, driving their car. Mrs. Wright had about seventeen deaf friends of Tampa to meet her husband and were their guests in the afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. Frank Philpot of St. Cloud, Fla., were here on November 21. Rev. Philpot conducted church service in the afternoon at the White Temple Methodist Church. He made an announcement that the service he conducted here might be the last this year because his car could not stand long trips.

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Anent Deafness

II

When properly considered, it should not be surprising to anyone of ordinary sense and sentiment, much less to any thoughtful teacher of the deaf, that the gesture language of signs, aided by the manual alphabet, is dearly appreciated by the deaf whatever may have been the method employed in their education. It is to be regretted that some misguided teachers have not only warned against this use of the alphabet and gestures, but have what seems to have committed a sacrilege, by enforcing oaths from their pupils never to use such helps, nor to associate with the deaf who use the language of signs. The sermon, lecture, or address vividly presented in the language of signs is ever an attraction to the deaf when the speaker or lecturer is a master at picturing ideas in gestures. For a like reason, the lucidness and distinctness of the old silent motion picture was for them a form of entertainment where they met on an equal footing with their more favored hearing brethren. There they learned much that was useful and inspiring from the educational topics explained, from historical scenes and current events displayed, as well as being able to enjoy the lightsome and amusing comedies that were projected before their eyes on the screen.

Naturally there is nothing in the personal appearance of the totally deaf person to draw particular attention to the loss of hearing. When people are told that a child is deaf and dumb, they do not readily understand that the latter defect is merely the natural consequence of the former; that while the deafness may be beyond medical improvement, there is no reason why the child should forever remain dumb, provided that its mentality is not impaired. The public is wont to imagine that there must necessarily be some mental or temperamental peculiarity to account for the defects. This is possibly a recrudescence of the ancient belief that there was something uncanny about people who happened to be unable to hear and consequently to speak, the misfortune being ascribed to the control of an evil spirit, or as being a divine visitation of wrath upon some honest but unfortunate family. The enmeshing of a defect resulting from a disease in the threads of superstitions fear entirely overlooked the simple truth that deafness, and consequent dumbness, are physical deficiencies in no way connected with the supernatural.

As the advance of educational enlightenment showed the absurdity of such beliefs, a new suggestion of mystery arose in connection with the process of instructing the deaf, possibly traceable to the practice prevailing among early teachers, notably the Braidwood family in Scotland, in keeping secret their methods in order to command a monopoly in this line of education. It was one of this family who demanded so extravagant a consideration from the American pioneer-teacher, Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, that compelled him to accept the generous aid freely offered by the French priest, Abbe Sicard, the associate and successor of Abbe de l'Epee.

It would be amusing, were it not so pathetic, to enumerate the strange traits some people imagine as being peculiarly an attribute of deafness in children and adults. They are variously represented as suspicious, doleful, taciturn, ill-tempered, revengeful, dangerous, unhappy, unable to laugh—all alike very far from the truth. Taking any group of deaf children, provided we are competent to analyze those who are by the unthinking classed as the surly, the taciturn, the stubborn, we find that they really possess no more of these unpleasant qualities than may be found among children with all their senses; it is mainly a question of the environment and early

training in either case. Children are seldom born with unruly dispositions, but become so as the result of formative forces operating during their development in early childhood, following the proper training, or lack of it, they receive in their tender years.

(To be continued)

Ella Randall McClelland

On April 6, 1870, there entered the New York School for the Deaf (Fanwood) a young girl from East Palmyra, N. Y., the daughter of Rev. N. B. Randall and his wife, Mary. An interesting child, she had become deaf from scarlet fever at the age of two years. Before entering the school she had received some instruction from her father, and consequently made rapid progress under regular schoolroom exercises.

Soon after the Central New York School for the Deaf had been opened at Rome, N. Y., she and a number of other pupils from the Central part of the State were transferred to the new school. There she continued to show excellence as a scholar, and was the first graduate from the High Class of this school. She was appointed a supervisor and then a teacher, and clerical assistant to the Principal.

Upon her marriage to Samuel McClelland, a distinguished graduate of Fanwood, who was an employee of the Dupont Company, they made their home at Mountain View, N. J., and may be said to have grown up with this beautiful town. They had two children, a daughter, Grace (now Mrs. French), and a son, Randal, who survive them. Mrs. McClelland had not been seriously ill, but on Sunday the fourth, a blood clot caused her death. The funeral service, held at the family residence at Mountain View, was attended by a large number of hearing relatives and friends, among the latter being a score of deaf who were well acquainted with the family.

Rev. Mr. Braddock, of St. Ann's Church, read the beautiful Episcopal funeral service, and by request, Dr. Fox spoke of the life and service of the deceased. Rev. Mr. Rolnback, the minister of the local Methodist Church, then read the burial service of his church. The remains were interred on the cemetery of the Pompton Church where the Episcopal burial service was given in signs by Rev. Mr. Braddock and read orally by Rev. Mr. Rolnback.

Mrs. McClelland was an active member of St. Ann's Church when it was on 18th Street, making trips by train, ferry and horse car from New Jersey. When a mission was established at Newark, N. J., she gave her best efforts to support it, at intervals attending the services at Paterson. Her life was an example of unselfish interest in matters spiritual, a pioneer leader in the church.

Honors to Dr. Donald G. Patterson

At the forty-fifth convention of the American Psychological Association, held at the University of Minnesota last month, Dr. Donald G. Patterson of the department of psychology of that university, was elected with two professors of other universities for appointment to the division of anthropology and psychology of the National Research Council. Dr. Patterson is the son of deaf parents, his father, Dr. Robert Patterson, having been for many years principal of the Ohio School. Dr. Patterson's familiarity with the sign language in his infancy proved to be a stimulus, rather than a detriment, to his mental process.—*Alabama Messenger*.

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Jefferson Manor at S. W., corner of Broad and Jefferson Streets.
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For information, write to Jacob Brodsky, President, or Mrs. Sylvan G. Stern, Secretary, 5043 N. 16th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

NEW YORK CITY

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The Metropolitan Civic Association of the Deaf will have its next business meeting at the Y. M. C. A. on 23d Street, corner 7th Avenue, on Tuesday evening, December 21st, at eight o'clock. In view of the fact that in the past many members could not attend the meetings because they were held uptown, it is naturally expected that there will be a far better attendance this time; as there are numerous items of unfinished business to be acted upon. Incidentally, this Association expects to have a Mass Meeting held at Public School 27 on 42d Street, between Second and Third Avenues, on Tuesday evening, January 18th, 1938. Notice to this effect will be sent to all groups or organizations of the deaf in the city, inviting their members to attend the meeting to voice their opinions and offer suggestions as to how this organization can best serve the interests of the local deaf.

The following officers of the Ephpheta Society were elected for the year 1938 by acclamation: President, Catherine Gallagher; First Vice President, Joseph Dennen; Second Vice President, Charles Spitaleri; Secretary, Herbert Koritzer; Treasurer, Jere V. Fives; Assistant Treasurer, Michael Turchan. Due to the lateness of the meeting it was decided to postpone the election of Trustees. Because of the advancement of Mr. Koritzer to be the secretary, an additional Trustee must be elected this time.

President George Lynch and First Vice President Kirwin were absent from the meeting, and so Second Vice President Joseph Dennen was in the chair.

Nine new members were accepted into the society, which is a fitting climax to a year of growth.

The society's basket ball team opened its season against the Bronx Unity Club last Saturday in an Interstate Basketball League for the Deaf game. It was the main attraction, with the Orange Silent Club of Newark pitted against the H. A. D. Five in the preliminary game.

Manager Koritzer of the Ephphetas was looking after the scoring end of both games as an official of the league, so the duties of guiding the team developed on Thomas Kolenda, an Ephpheta player, who was unable to participate in the game owing to an injured ankle. He certainly did well.

Some forty or more of the fair sex friends of Mrs. Sara Moses gathered at the Winston Tropical Restaurant in Greenwich Village and tendered her a surprise birthday party on the occasion of her fiftieth anniversary, Saturday afternoon, December 11th last. A very delicious luncheon was served, followed with congratulatory remarks and the presentation of a cash gift to the recipient to remember the occasion with. The rest of the afternoon was given over to playing "500," for which prizes were given the winners. Mrs. Bachrach headed the committee that arranged the affair.

On Saturday afternoon, December 12th, the meeting of the Brooklyn Hebrew Society of the Deaf Inc. was usually crowded. Nearly every month two new members join up. "Come-back" members are admitted from time to time.

The election of new officers for the year of 1938 resulted as follows: President, Louis Baker; Vice-President, Charles H. Klein; Secretary, Louis Cohen; Treasurer, William Schurman; Sergeant-at-Arms, Samuel Schwartz; Trustees, Mayer Oppenheim, Ben Abrams, and Charles Klein.

Mr. John D. Shea has been at a health resort at Denville, N. J., for two weeks for treatment of his knee. While there, Mr. A. Salmon of Netcong was a caller. The Salmons left for Florida recently to spend the winter at Fort Myers.

The first basketball games of the proposed league of deaf teams in the metropolitan area came off last Saturday evening, and made a good start with some 400 fans rooting for their favorite teams. The games were sponsored by the Bronx Unity Social Club of the Deaf and held at St. Claire's Hall on 153d Street. Results were that the H. A. D. team beat the Orange Silents by 49 to 36. The game between the Bronx Unity and the Ephphetas was a thriller until the latter sank the last basket to win by 45 to 42.

Westchester Division, No. 114, had its monthly meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Hall in Mt. Vernon, N. Y., on November 10th. The event of the evening was the installation of officers for 1938, who were President, Richard Bowdren, re-elected; Vice-President, Vladimir Mazur; Secretary, George Geel; Treasurer, George Lynch; and Sergeant-at-Arms, George Donaldson.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Krivitzkin (nee Esther Pinsky) both of Philadelphia were in town for their honeymoon. They were married at their hometown Sunday, December 12th.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Schwing are the proud parents of a baby boy born last week. This is their second child, they have a daughter four years old.

Miss Agnes Craig of Magnolia, N. J., has been staying the past week with friends in Richmond Hill, L. I.

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driver was so confused at the first trial and was thus unable to state to the court his side of the case. This was responsible for the severe sentence originally handed down.

The re-trial was ably handled and efficiently presented to the court by our attorney, Mr. L. G. Windom. The assistant prosecuting attorney, Mr. Petrie, was firm yet courteous, and proved himself an interesting figure, well liked by all who came in contact with him.

Mrs. R. P. Thomas was the interpreter. Mr. C. B. Jacobson, president of the Ohio Deaf Motorists' Association, was present with data ready for presentation, accompanied by Mr. A. J. Beckert, regional director of the Columbus district. Mr. Jacobson played a large part in arranging legal steps leading to the re-trial and the success of the modification of the sentence bespeaks for his efforts at clarification in similar court cases, now pending in three other cities in Ohio.—A. E. A.

It was reported that Mrs. William Hoy of Cincinnati met with a bad accident by how the report sayeth not. She was in a Cincinnati hospital for a few days and then removed to her home. So it looks like an automobile accident.

Mrs. Sarah Goldberg Barrowcliffe of Cincinnati, who has been ill for some time, is now able to walk some but cannot yet get out to mingle with the deaf.

The Mortgage Cancellation Bazaar for the Cameron M. E. Church in Cincinnati proved to be a wonderful success, for during the three days, \$1,100 was cleared but only \$800 remained to be paid. So the mortgage will be wiped out and the deaf congregation feels very joyful, for they have worked hard for a few years. Other Methodist churches helped quite a bit and greatly admired the work the deaf were doing. The \$300 left will be used for improvements on the parsonage, I believe. When the deaf assumed the mortgage it looked like a big undertaking, but the deaf of Cincinnati have shown that "Where there's a will, there's a way."

Well, Christmas is not far off and today, December 8th, I received my first Christmas Greeting card!

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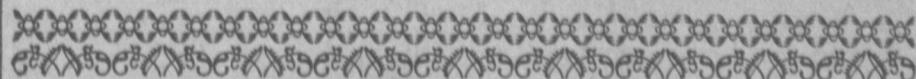
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